

- sequence corresponding to the sequence of a 3'-UTR [entire untranslated 3' region (3'-UTR)] of a human or mouse ribonucleotide reductase R1 or R2 mRNA, [of mRNA of a housekeeping gene or a consecutive sequence segment of said 3'UTR], wherein the oligonucleotide exhibits reduced oligonucleotide-oligonucleotide dimer formation, reduced self-complementary interactions and reduced binding potential to said mRNA.
6. The [synthetic] oligonucleotide, or analogue thereof, as set forth in claim 1 [5] wherein the oligonucleotide comprises [has] a sequence corresponding to the [entire] sequence of the 3'-UTR of a human or mouse ribonucleotide reductase R1 mRNA [for the R1 component] as set forth in SEQ ID No: 1 [(SEQ ID No:1) or segment thereof substantially free of the coding sequence of ribonucleotide reductase protein R1].
 7. The [synthetic] oligonucleotide, or analogue thereof, as set forth in claim 6 wherein the oligonucleotide comprises [segment has] a sequence as set forth in SEQ ID Nos: 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, or 49 [Table 4].
 8. The [synthetic] oligonucleotide, or analogue thereof, as set forth in claim 6 wherein the oligonucleotide comprises [segment has] a sequence as set forth in SEQ ID No: 45.
 9. The [synthetic] oligonucleotide, or analogue thereof, as set forth in claim 1 [5] wherein the oligonucleotide comprises [has] a sequence corresponding to the [entire] sequence of the 3'-UTR of a human or mouse ribonucleotide reductase R2 mRNA [for the R2 component] as set forth in SEQ ID No: 2 [(SEQ ID No:2) or segment thereof substantially free of the coding sequence of ribonucleotide reductase protein R2].
 10. The [synthetic] oligonucleotide, or analogue thereof, as set forth in claim 9 wherein the oligonucleotide comprises [segment has] a sequence as set forth in SEQ ID Nos: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, or 43 [Table 5].
 11. The [synthetic] oligonucleotide, or analogue thereof, as set forth in claim 9 wherein the oligonucleotide comprises [segment has] a sequence as set forth in SEQ ID Nos: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or [-]12.

12. A pharmaceutical composition for inhibiting [the] tumorigenicity of neoplastic cells in a human or mouse comprising [mammal consisting of] an effective amount of at least one oligonucleotide [active ingredient] as set forth in claim 1; and a pharmaceutically physiologically acceptable carrier or diluent.
13. A pharmaceutical composition for inhibiting [modulating] tumorigenicity of neoplastic cells in a human or mouse comprising [mammal consisting of] an effective amount of at least one oligonucleotide [active ingredient] as set forth in claim 6[, or the antisense sequence thereof, or a ribozyme comprising a sequence complementary to at least a portion of said UTR]; and a pharmaceutically physiologically acceptable carrier or diluent.
14. A pharmaceutical composition for inhibiting [modulating] tumorigenicity of neoplastic cells in a human or mouse comprising [mammal consisting of] an effective amount of at least one oligonucleotide [active ingredient] as set forth in claim 9[, or the antisense sequence thereof, or a ribozyme comprising a sequence complementary to at least a portion of said UTR]; and a pharmaceutically physiologically acceptable carrier or diluent.
15. A pharmaceutical composition for inhibiting metastasis of [a] neoplastic cells in a human or mouse comprising [mammal consisting of] an effective amount of at least one oligonucleotide [active ingredient] as set forth in claim 9[, or the antisense sequence thereof, or a ribozyme comprising a sequence complementary to at least a portion of said UTR]; and a pharmaceutically physiologically acceptable carrier or diluent.
16. A pharmaceutical composition for inhibiting [modulating] tumorigenicity of [a] neoplastic cells in a human or mouse comprising [mammal consisting of] an effective amount of at least two [active ingredients selected from] oligonucleotides, or analogues thereof, each comprising at least seven nucleotides having a sequence corresponding to the [entire] sequence of a 3'-UTR of a human or mouse ribonucleotide reductase R1 or R2, [the] mRNA, [for the R1 or R2 component or sequence segments of at least seven consecutive nucleotides thereof substantially free of the coding sequence of ribonucleotide reductase protein R1 or R2 respectively or the antisense sequences